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Dear Mr. Casey:

Mr. William J. Casey

Central Intelligence Agency Washington, D.C. 20505

I am writing following a suggestion by Edward Luttwak; furthermore, you may remember my name, we have met on a few occasions in the past. . but?

I have been asked by the Twentieth Century Fund to undertake a project on foreign political intelligence. This is to deal not with the collection of information by its assessment and its impact (or lack of it) on the deciston makers. It is to deal primarily with foreign policy not with military affairs; the basic idea is not to provide a critical review of the past performance of the intelligence community in this country (the study will not be limited to the U.S.) but present an outline of what - ideally intelligence can and should do. The sponsors of the project hope that a standard work on intelligence will emerge; this, needless to say, I cannot promise, but I shall certainly try to prepare a study that will be of some merit.

In this general context I should be grateful if access would be given to me to the periodical STUDIES IN INTELLIGENCE which is written and edited by members of the staff of the CIA. Though historical in character, this periodical is classified. From what I have heard about it, it would be of some importance for my work.

I have no intelligence security clearance; the need to apply for one has not arisen in the past. However, if in order to consult this periodical a clearance is needed, I should be perfectly willing to apply for a clearance.

I am sending you under separate cover a book of mine recently published, THE TERRIBLE SECRET. This deals with the question of how (meaning through what channels) the news of the holocaust got out of Europe in 1942. It is to a large extent a study in intelligence and you may want to incorporate it in your library on intelligency which I admired in your home.

Yours sincerely,

Walter Laqueur

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